

Baltimore, February 16th, 1905.

The Board of Public Works of Maryland met this day, at 12:30 p. m., in the office of the Governor in the Fidelity Building, Baltimore. Present: Governor Warfield; Comptroller Atkinson and Treasurer Vandiver.

The following report was read:

Baltimore, February 15th, 1905.

Hon. Edwin Warfield,

Governor of the State of Maryland.

Dear Sir:

The undersigned, respectfully submit that they have carefully examined the property owned by the State of Maryland and known as Tobacco Warehouse No ----- bounded by Dugan's Wharf, O'Donnell's Wharf, Wood Street and the Basin as per plat furnished us and consider said property to be worth two hundred and ten thousand \$210,000 dollars. We will gladly furnish you the basis of our valuation should you desire the same.

Very respectfully &c.,

John Hubner

G. Howard White.

The Board, after a private conference proceeded to Room 703 Fidelity Building, where they met Mayor Timanus and Messrs. Sherlock Swann, Chairman, and C. K. Lord and John W. Snyder, members of the Burnt District Commission of Baltimore City, in the endeavor to agree upon a price at which the State would sell to the City the property on pier No. 4 (O'Donnell's and Dugan's Wharves) formerly occupied by State Tobacco Warehouses Nos. 1 and 2. No agreement being reached the Board, on motion of Dr. Atkinson, seconded by Mr. Vandiver agreed to surrender the property to the Burnt District Commission when needed, the purchase price to be decided upon later.

The conferees then proceeded to the consideration of the price to be paid by the City to the State for the wharfage rights and privileges enjoyed by the State in the one hundred and fifty feet of water front on Pratt Street which the Burnt District Commission requires in order to widen Pratt Street. Chairman Swann offered on behalf of the City the sum of \$9,500 for these rights and privileges, which the Board of Public Works declined to accept, where-

upon General Vandiver moved that the State offer the property to the City at \$15,000. Seconded by Dr. Atkinson and carried. The Burnt District Commission thereupon accepted the offer and subsequently confirmed the same by the following formal communication.

Baltimore, Md., February 16th, 1905.

His Excellency, Edwin Warfield,

Governor of Maryland,

President, State Board of Public Works,

My dear Sir:

I herewith beg to notify you that the Burnt District Commission accepts your offer to sell for the sum of \$15,000 all the State's right, title and interest in that portion of the bed of Pratt Street which binds on the water between Light Street and Bowley's wharf, together with all the wharf and riparian rights which the State owns or controls there. I will instruct the City solicitor to immediately prepare the necessary deed.

I am,

Very truly yours,

Sherlock Swann, Chairman.

At two p. m., the members of the Burnt District Commission left the conference and at 2:50 p. m., the Board of Public Works, on motion of Dr. Atkinson, seconded by General Vandiver, adjourned.

Oswald Tilghman
Secretary.